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11. In response to reftel seeking information on Guyana's ability to ship its full allocation of sugar under the raw sugar tariff rate quota for marketing year 2006, post received the following reply from the Guyana Sugar Corporation:

BEGIN TEXT: Thank you for your letter of June 8, 2006 relative to Guyana's allocation of sugar to the U.S. market.

We wish to advise that Guyana intends to ship its full allocation of sugar to the U.S. for delivery by September 30, 2006.

We are unable, at this time, to confirm whether we can meet any further quotas for the 2005/2006 year prior to September 30, 2006, should there be another quota increase announcement by the USTR. Our crop commences at the end of July and we would be in a better position to confirm our position by that time.

Please, therefore, be guided accordingly.

Yours sincerely, Guyana Sugar Corporation Inc.

1M. Surujbally (for) Nick Jackson Chief Executive END TEXT.

12. Post point of contact is Edward Luchessi, Economic/Commercial Officer, Tel: 592-226-4309, Fax: 592-227-0240, e-mail: LuchessiEP@state.gov.

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